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SUBJECT: US ASSISTANCE TO THE NETHERLANDS DURING THE  
PRESENT OIL CRISIS.

1. ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESSEL CALLED IN NETHERLANDS  
AMBASSADOR VAN LYNDEN NOVEMBER 28, NOTING THAT SECRETARY  
KISSINGER HAD ASKED HIM TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING POINTS;

A) THE US IS PREPARED, IN PRINCIPLE, TO ASSIST THE  
GOVERNMENT OF THE NETHERLANDS DURING THE PRESENT OIL  
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B) ACCORDINGLY, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
IS PREPARED TO ENTER INTO EMERGENCY CONSULTATIONS WITH  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE NETHERLANDS; AND

C) UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE DONALDSON, WHO WILL ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY TO THE MINISTERIAL MEETING ON DECEMBER 10 AND 11, WILL BE PREPARED TO GO TO THE HAGUE AFTER THE NATO MEETING TO INITIATE THESE CONSULTATIONS.

2. STOESSEL TOLD VAN LYNDEN THAT, IF ACCEPTABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE NETHERLANDS, WE WOULD EXPECT TO MAKE A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT CONTAINING THESE THREE POINTS ON EITHER NOVEMBER 29 OR 30.

3. AMBASSADOR VAN LYNDEN SAID HE KNEW THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD BE PLEASED AND TOUCHED BY THE US POSITION. VAN LYNDEN, JUST BACK FROM THE HAGUE, RELATED HOW MUCH FOREIGN MINISTER VAN DER STOEL APPRECIATED THE VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT EXPRESSED TO HIM BY SECRETARY SCHLESINGER.

4. VAN LYNDEN CAUTIONED THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO SEEK HIS GOVERNMENT'S REACTION. HE WONDERED OUT LOUD IF PUBLICITY MIGHT NOT BE DEFERRED UNTIL A TIME PERHAPS CLOSER TO DONALDSON'S ARRIVAL IN THE HAGUE, SINCE PUBLICITY COULD AFFECT ARAB ATTITUDES AND POSSIBLY BE USED AGAINST THE NETHERLANDS. HE WAS ALSO NOT SURE HOW THIS WOULD RELATE TO THE ACTIVITIES AND COMMON POSITION OF THE NINE. IN ANY CASE, HE WOULD SEEK IMMEDIATE INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE HAGUE. KISSINGER

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